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TOPIC Soviet and Polish Units in Oppeln Area. 25X1A  
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SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

25X1A 1. Prior to November 1950, Soviet tank units were quartered in a barracks installation just west of Odervorstadt, a suburb of Oppeln (P 51/J 17). The installation, located on both sides of the road leading toward Gumpertsdorf, about 8 km west-southwest of Oppeln, was built shortly before World War II and has been occupied by Soviet troops since the end of the war. [REDACTED] some T-34/85 tanks in the billeting area. The practice grounds for the tank units adjoined the installation on the west.

2. An acquaintance of source stated that the barracks installations in Stefanshoehe (P 51/J 17), Halbendorf (P 51/J 17) and Neudorf (P 51/J 04) were also occupied by Soviet tank units. However, source concluded that one of these installations quartered a Soviet Air Force unit, because local residents stated that Soviet aircraft and a few Polish aircraft were stationed at Oppeln-Stefanshoehe (Szezepanowice) airfield.

25X1A 3. [REDACTED] that a Polish recruiting office and some Polish troop units were also stationed in Oppeln. \*

25X1A \* [REDACTED] Comment. Tank components of the 20th Tank Div are believed to be stationed in the Oppeln area. [REDACTED] 25X1A  
 The present report is the first to state that Soviet troops are located in the city and the immediate vicinity of Oppeln. Another source also reported that Polish units were stationed in Oppeln in September 1950. [REDACTED]. The units may constitute a Polish tank regiment.

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